

IN THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (*Currently Amended*): A recording apparatus comprising:

~~a plurality of two~~ recording drives ~~comprising an optical disk drive and a hard disk drive,~~
each of the two recording drives configured to record information containing video data;

a determining section configured to determine, after recording has been programmed and during activation of a first task that executes the programmed recording in ~~realtime~~ real-time, whether a recording-destination drive from among the two recording drives, on which the programmed recording is executed, has already been accessed by a second task;

a judging section configured to judge, upon the determining section determining that the recording-destination drive is being accessed by the second task, whether the ~~real-time recording and the playback~~ first and second tasks can be executed by providing simultaneous access to the recording-destination drive for the first and second tasks;

an interrupting process section configured to:

(a) interrupt the second task, upon the judging section judging that real-time recording of the first task cannot be executed, and

(b) enable the first task to execute the programmed recording on the recording-destination drive; and

an executing section configured to make the first task ~~[[to]]~~ execute the programmed recording using the recording-destination drive.

2. (*Cancelled*).

3. (*Currently Amended*) The recording apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the interrupting process section includes a section which suspends ~~said another~~ the second task

currently using ~~said one of the recording drives~~ the recording-destination drive, and said apparatus further comprising a section which restarts ~~said another~~ the second task after finishing the programmed recording.

4. (*Currently Amended*) The recording apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the interrupting process section includes a section which forcibly finishes ~~said another~~ the second task currently using ~~said one of the recording drives~~ the recording-destination drive.

5. - 9. (*Cancelled*).